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For: METHOD OF DRYING THERMOPLASTIC

NORBORNENE RESIN THE SUBSTRATE FOR MAGNETIC STORAGE MEDIA USING THE THERMOPLASTIC NORBORNENE

## SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed May 2, 2003 (Paper No. 8), applicant hereby provisionally elects claims Group I: claims 1-4 and 17-20 drawn to a method for drying a thermoplastic norbornene resin and injection modling the resin to form a substrate for a magnetic recording medium, classified in class 34, subclass 406 for continued examination, with traverse.

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